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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News contains the Statewide results of the March Cattle on Feed Survey.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

Vince Matthews
Director

Idaho Cattle on Feed Down 2 Percent from Previous Year

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on March 1, 2013 totaled 225,000 head, down 2 percent from the previous year. The cattle on feed inventory is unchanged from February 1, 2013. Placements of cattle in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during February totaled 36,000 head, down 1,000 head from February 2012 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during February totaled 35,000 head, down 6,000 head from last year. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head during February.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.9 million head on March 1, 2013. The inventory was 7 percent below March 1, 2012. Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.48 million, 14 percent below 2012. Net placements were 1.42 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 355,000, 600-699 pounds were 270,000, 700-799 pounds were 407,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 450,000. Placements are the lowest for February since the series began in 1996. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.64 million, 7 percent below 2012. Other disappearance totaled 60,000 during February, 35 percent below 2012.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

State	March 1, 2012	February 1, 2013	March 1, 2013		
			Number	As % of 2012	As % of February
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	279	275	270	97	98
California	500	480	480	96	100
Colorado	1,090	1,010	990	91	98
Idaho	230	225	225	98	100
Iowa	670	640	640	96	100
Kansas	2,200	2,110	2,050	93	97
Nebraska	2,570	2,470	2,430	95	98
Oklahoma	340	325	305	90	94
South Dakota	260	225	230	88	102
Texas	2,840	2,620	2,550	90	97
Washington	233	234	233	100	100
Other States	465	459	454	98	99
United States	11,677	11,073	10,857	93	98

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